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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Regarding the Specification

The specification has been amended to replace missing United States patent application numbers.

Regarding Formal Drawings

Upon review of the case on PAIR, my associate J. Curtis Edmondson (57,027) noticed on 12/27/2005 that a requirement for formal drawings was listed on 10/03/2005, but the image file wrapper contains no such notice, and there was no such indication on the Notice of Allowability that formal drawings were required. Also, our office has received no such notice of informality of drawings.

Mr. Edmondson placed a call with the Examiner on 12/29/2005, which was returned on 1/4/2006. The Examiner indicated to Mr. Edmondson that formal drawings would be required.

As the notice of drawing informality is not available in the PAIR file wrapper, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office provide Applicant with a copy of the notice of drawing informality.

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